

**WAC 181-78A-225 Acceptance of alternative standards.** (1) For a given program, the professional educator standards board may allow the substitution of alternative national standards for program approval standards for school counselor and school psychologist program approval, if they are deemed by the board to be equivalent to the board-adopted national standards for the role (WAC 181-78A-220 (2) through (5)).

(2) The professional educator standards board may allow the substitution of national standards (e.g., the National Council for Accreditation of Teacher Education (NCATE) teacher education standards) for program approval with any additions deemed necessary by the professional educator standards board. National standards may also be approved for programs in specific endorsement areas if they are deemed to be equivalent to state standards.

[Statutory Authority: Chapters 28A.410 and 28A.413 RCW. WSR 19-15-144, § 181-78A-225, filed 7/24/19, effective 8/24/19. Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.410.210. WSR 06-14-010, § 181-78A-225, filed 6/22/06, effective 7/23/06. WSR 06-02-051, recodified as § 181-78A-225, filed 12/29/05, effective 1/1/06. Statutory Authority: RCW 28A.305.130 (1) and (2), 28A.410.010 and 28A.150.220(4). WSR 99-01-174, § 180-78A-225, filed 12/23/98, effective 1/23/99.]